

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

MARYANN MEADORS,

Plaintiff,

v.

5:07-CV-0623 (LEK/VEB)

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE, Commissioner of
Social Security,

Defendant.

DECISION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Court following a Report-Recommendation filed on May 18, 2009 by the Honorable Victor E. Bianchini, United States Magistrate Judge, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and L.R. 72.3(d) of the Northern District of New York. Report-Rec. (Dkt. No. 18). After ten days from the service thereof, the Clerk has sent the entire file to the undersigned, including the objections by the Plaintiff, which were filed on June 2, 2009. Objections (Dkt. No. 19).

It is the duty of this Court to “make a de novo determination of those portions of the report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is made.” 28 U.S.C. § 636(b). “A [district] judge . . . may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge.” *Id.* This Court has considered the objections and has undertaken a de novo review of the record and has determined that the Report-Recommendation should be approved for the reasons stated therein.

Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the Report-Recommendation (Dkt. No. 18) is **APPROVED** and

ADOPTED in its **ENTIRETY**; and it is further

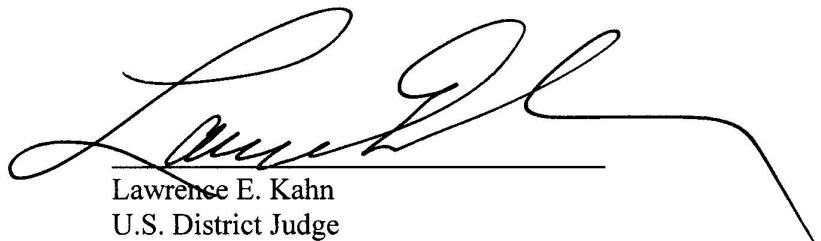
ORDERED, that Defendant's Motion for judgment on the pleadings is **GRANTED**;

Plaintiff's Motion for judgment on the pleadings is **DENIED**; and the decision of the Commissioner is **AFFIRMED**;

ORDERED, that the Clerk serve a copy of this Order on all parties.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: June 16, 2009
Albany, New York



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